The Repeater

The W6VVR Newsletter

The Newsletter for January 2024

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THE VACA VALLEY RADIO CLUB WELCOMES YOU

The Vaca Valley Radio Club has proudly served the Northern Solano County Area since 1988. We pride ourselves in providing a friendly place for radio amateurs to meet and improve their operating skills.

We participate in public service events throughout the year and are always ready to assist with communications during times of emergency.

Browse our website for more information about our club. If you have any questions, please e-mail us at w6vvr@w6vvr.net or call 707-448-5665 for assistance.

The Repeater is Published by the Vaca Valley Radio Club, PO Box 143, Elmira, CA 95625- 0143.

An ARRL Affiliated Club. Founded 1987, Chartered 1988.

General Meetings: 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM See the directions on the last several pages.

Meetings Are Wheelchair Accessible

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A Message from The Editors of The Repeater

The editors of The Repeater want to wish everyone a merry and prosperous New Year!

Participation and use of the spectrum is the key to our hobby being given protection from those who would seek to take our bands away from us. The attempt by special interest stock traders requesting spectrum and excessive power levels more than twice what most shortwave stations used to use broadcasting around the world next to our bands is nothing but a veiled attempt to encroach and prove that; “they aren’t using the bands” while their signals might wipe out the use of our bands completely. Are we the editors fear mongering? Perhaps, perhaps not. But if the FCC allows the stock traders to go through with their proposal we could one day wake up to entirely unusable bands. And we already know that the FCC will always put the special interest ahead of those who don’t pay for the frequencies. That has been proven time and time again.

France made a proposal a few years ago to take 2 meters away from french amateur radio operators for use with air navigation. It was swiftly stopped by the other European countries but shows just how easily a country or corporation can make a proposal that could be detrimental to our interest and hobby.

We need to be vigilant and protect against these attacks by both using our bands frequently, and ALWAYS commenting to the FCC when our bands come under attack. Our best resource is the ARRL, who stands fast in their commitment to amateur radio.

On a brighter note: there are lots of contest for everyone to do this year. Look for the calendar further back in the newsletter. At least two events as well. We will have Quartzfest January 21st through January 27th and Winter Field Day on January 27th through 28th.

And we also want to remind everyone that there are lots of things to do for our hobby and we should strive to try new things. Try a satellite QSO, or a digital mode. Learn Morse Code. Learn to Foxhunt. We have several members in the club that are willing to assist you learning new skills. Practice something different, like QRP. Bring your radio down to 1 or 2 watts (if possible) and see if you can still make contacts.

Once again the editors would like to wish everyone a happy and prosperous New Year

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The Election Results!

Elections were held on Tuesday, November 9, 2023, at the Club Meeting in Vacaville.

As of December 14, 2023:

Our new President will be: Servando Miramontes K6SRD

Our new Vice President will be: Dan Martin N6ETR

Our new Secretary is: Mike Rogers KN6MIO

Our Treasurer Byran has agreed to stay on through the end of his term unless someone else steps up before then.

The incoming Board of Directors are:
Art Aronsen WD6BQX
Chris Swanson KJ6DLF
Mike Gregory WB6WYF
And Will Shaffer W6SRX

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A Message from The Incoming President

Hello everyone! If you are reading this, you have received the clubs first newsletter. We are still working out the bugs and kinks, but we are hoping you enjoy the periodic newsletters. I want to start off by saying thank you to the officers of past and present. I don't care who you vote in at the top, it's the officers who keep this thing together and hold the wheels from falling off.

I guess I should probably share a little bit about myself here. My name is Servando, amateur radio callsign K6SRV. My house if full of girls, my wife Dalia and my two daughters Alyna and Abigail. I work in construction as a Project Manager and before that I worked in the field as a Union Ironworker (Local 378). I got my first radio ticket on Feb 2018. My dad was a big 11m guy who, now that I remember, had a HUGE antenna at the house hooked up to an amplifier and modified Cobra Classic.

Kevin, N6VLF, was my first contact on a repeater. I was so damn excited to see if all the youtube hours spent on learning how to program a UV5R from the front panel has paid off… It did.. Kevin was very welcoming and invited me to attend a VVR meeting…. A couple weeks later I was introduced to the gang and have been pennyless since.. hahaha. No, seriously, I met Jason K6FAK and he later invites me to his house to show me the "shack". I was HOOKED after that day. I will never forget the feeling of making that first HF contact (it was on 80m by the way) and that first QSL card.

I live a very busy life, so naturally, my radios are setup and configured to operate portable or on the go. I am an avid Parks on The Air supporter and participant, I utilize Winlink very frequently, and recently have become a member of MARS. You want to talk about learning a thing or two, join MARS. I am a firm believer in ham radio being much much more than "just a hobby". It is SO much more than this. It truly is a service, which so happens to be a very enjoyable one.

My goal for the club is to continue the vision Don had in trying to bring on as many new members and new hams as possible while also keeping things interesting to those of you that already know how the PTT works *high high*. The start of a club newsletter is a good way to start things off.. By the way, a big thank you to Stephen KK6ZJC for suggesting and creating the newsletters. So much for keeping this short and sweet. If anyone has any suggestions or requests for the club, I am all ears. I mean it. I look forward to 2024 and everything in store.

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A Message from The Outgoing President

Unfortunately, as of the publishing deadline, I did not receive any message from the outgoing president Don Preston KM6INR

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A message from the Incoming Vice President

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A message from the Treasurer

Ending 2023 and going into 2024 we're on solid footing. I thank the members who continue to support our club by paying their dues. We have hopes that 2024 will see some expansion of or repeaters which will use the monies from our repeater fund.

The 2023 Holiday dinner was a great success with 51 attendees. Once again the food was great and everyone had a nice time being able to put faces with the call sign and meeting some supporting spouses.
The club subsidized the dinner to keep the cost at $30/$20 for the attendees. The cost to the club was $359.19.

I look forward to 2024 and more club activities and fun.

Bryan,
KB0A

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A Message from the Incoming Secretary

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A Message From the Outgoing Secretary

“I wish the best for this club and its new officers. The club has gone through some rough times and thru all of the work of our present and past officer we have been able to grow our ham club community. It has been my pleasure to work with all the members, officers, past and present. I have faith that our new officers will carry on the tradition that has made our club grow. Our most important ingredient is “having fun” and as long as that remains a major priority they in turn will pass the torch on into the future of the club.

In closing, I offer the following Latin as my parting statement:

”Semper Paratas and Semper Fidelis — Always Ready + Always Faithful “.

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WD6BQX

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Meetings recorded by the Secretary

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Let’s talk about WinLink

Have you ever heard of WinLink?

Of course, you have heard of WinLink!

Have you ever explored WinLink on your computer by installing the software?

You haven’t????

You are missing out on a great opportunity to send messages, explore your neighborhood, serve the public, and be ready for emergency communications!

What can WinLink do?

It can be used to send status reports about your neighborhood. It can be used to send messages and forms for the Incident Command System. In a pinch it can be used to send a text message to a phone.

What else can it do?

You can map data sent using WinLink messages to plan for other events, or to see what events took place.

It can even send data files as attachments just like regular email can.

What does it run on?

It runs on Microsoft Windows but there is also Linux Version called PAT.
The Linux version does not have all the bells and whistles that the Windows version does but can still perform the primary function of sending messages, forms and files using a web-based interface.

There are several training videos available online on YouTube about it.

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One of the best ones that I have found is a group called WaveTalkers. They hold a weekly learning class about WinLink and other Ecomm related subjects. In addition, you can go to their YouTube videos for past zoom meetings they held to teach about WinLink

A link to their website is https://wavetalkers.com

In addition to teaching about WinLink they also have the Amateur Radio Test on their Website to practice with.

Another Great Winlink and Ecomm resource is called RatPack

The link to their site is https://sites.google.com/view/ratpac/home

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Where is the participation????

According to the current roster, there are approximately 100 members in the club.
Yet, when it comes to doing net check ins, club meetings and other participations events there are on average 35 participants.

Why are people not participating? Drop an email to membership @w6vvr.net and say why you aren't participating or active in the club.

Take the time to enjoy Amateur radio and participate in the club that you are paying dues for.

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Yes, the holidays have come and gone...

It's the start of a new year and that means time to remember others.

Think about your neighbors. Your neighbors may live alone, or their children are too far away to be able to visit. They may be house bound because of physical limitations. Perhaps they are not technical savvy enough to be able to use Zoom or Skype to talk to their children. Perhaps they are both working parents and need a night out away from their children.

You can make a difference in their lives by checking on them during the week and letting them know someone is there if they need help. You could even just visit to give them some company. Even something small such as a home cooked meal delivered to them could make a day brighter for them. Perhaps arrange with their children to do a video call for even a few minutes could make a world of difference.

Or if they want to try something totally different see if they want to send a message to their loved ones using the ARRL's net traffic system. It would be a unique way to send greetings to loved ones and friends.

But it comes down to taking the first step and checking on your neighbors. Its not always easy to find time in our lives but you can make the time, and perhaps, make a difference in their lives.

Winter Field Day

During the last week of January, A group of amateur radio operators try their hand at operating under less-than-ideal conditions. They take their gear and go operating out in the field away from the comforts of home. For some this can mean operating in sub-cold conditions. For others it might be pouring rain.

Why do they do this?

To be able to operate even when conditions are not favorable. Sure, Field Day in June is nice as long as the weather is good, but to be willing to operate even when the weather is miserable and your uncomfortable shows real dedication and fortitude.

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Remember, emergencies don't just happen when the weather is good, they happen even when Mother Nature decides to be gloomy and miserable. That is truly when an amateur radio operator can shine.

Next year's Winter Field Day will be January 27th through the 28th.

Additional information can be obtained at http://winterfieldday.org

If enough people are interested perhaps, we can make this another club event.

If not, you are always able to register as an individual station and try your hand at it.

Most of the rules are similar to the rules for regular Field Day.

Hope to see you there

Let's talk about Message Passing

As you should all be aware, one of the many public services we can do is to pass messages for people during time of emergency. Be it sending messages for a served agency, someone displaced by a disaster, or even just for something different, learning to send messages properly is a skill that takes repeated practice.

It also takes the patience of a saint when you are net control and dealing with people that aren't always skilled in message traffic.

However, with practice anyone can become skilled in passing messages both quickly and accurately

On the second Saturday of every month at 7 pm fellow club member Stephen Bartels KK6ZJC runs a Zoom and Zello class to practice both message passing skills and for participants who normally don't run a net the chance to learn how to run a traffic net.

He can be reached at coffeeholic1a@yahoo.com for any questions.
Put Ecomm Training Enquiry questions as the subject

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Emails

The club continues to get numerous rejected E-Mail replies from the Email system.

I am recommending everyone send two very short emails to Membership@w6vvr.net to ensure that the club has your correct email address. Please include your Full Name, your COMPLETE Address, your Phone Number, if the phone number is a cell phone or land line and for ALL phone numbers, the carrier that it is on. Please include your email address again in the message. This will ensure that we can make necessary corrections to the Email list and have all records up to date.

The December meeting

Last years December meeting was held at Chevy's Restaurant located in Fairfield at Gateway Plaza, across from Solano Mall.

The turnout was quite large and a good time was had by everyone.

Our outgoing president gave a speech thanking everyone for their time and effort and participating in the club.

Due to it being a restaurant and not our official meeting place the "meeting" ended earlier than usual with a good majority departing about 1900 to 1930 in the evening.

But it was success with good cheer being had by all.

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Club Meetings and Events

JANUARY 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
New Years	Net 2000 hours on W6VVR repeater		Cow Town 1030 hours on W6VVR repeater			
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Net 2000 hours on W6VVR repeater		Cow Town 1030 hours on W6VVR repeater		KK6ZJC Ecomm Practice 1900 hours.	
			1900 Hours Monthly meeting			
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Net 2000 hours on W6VVR repeater		Cow Town 1030 hours on W6VVR repeater			

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Net 2000 hours on W6VVR repeater		Cow Town 1030 hours on W6VVR repeater			
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
29	30	31				
	Net 2000 hours on W6VVR repeater					

NOTES:

Monthly Meetings are held at Nut Tree Airport Vacaville CA	KK6ZJC can be reached by email at coffeeholic1a @yahoo.com	Monthly meetings subject to change based on COVID	All times are pacific time unless otherwise noted
	Please put ECOMM TRAINING ENQUIRY in the subject		

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Contest for January

JANUARY 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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NOTES:

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The Club Repeater(s)

The Vaca Valley Radio Club sponsors repeaters on several bands.
The club provides some financial support, but the owners provide a substantial portion of the cost of their operation.
The efforts of the owners are greatly appreciated.

The main repeater for the club is:

Call Sign: W6VVR
Output Frequency: 145.470MHz
Input Frequency: 144.870MHz
CTCSS tone (P.L.): 127.3Hz
Offset Frequency: 600KHz
Offset Direction: Minus

Vaca Valley Radio Club Sponsored Repeaters
As Of November 1, 2023

Rptr Out	Offset	P.L.	Call/ Location	Linked Repeaters
145.470	Minus 600 KHz	127.3	W6VVR Mt Vaca	Linked to 441.650 MHz
440.025	Plus 5 MHz	127.3	WV6F Mt Vaca	
441.650	Plus 5 MHz	100.0	N6VLF Fairfield	Linked to 145.470 MHz
145.140	Minus 600 KHz	77.0 DG-ID 00-00	Moderate level	Can operate Yaesu Fusion AMS Can be linked to 145.470 MHz or 441.650 MHz

Visitors are welcome to use the repeaters.

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EchoLink and AllStar Nodes

The Vaca Valley Radio Club operates both an EchoLink and an Allstar Nodes that link to the clubs main repeater on 145.470 MHz on top of Mt Vaca.

NOTE: EchoLink is UP, Allstar node is UP.

Call Sign: W6VVR

EchoLink Node 454312 W6VVR-R

Allstar Node 51094

Visitors are welcome to use the nodes.

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2024 Officers:

President:	Servando Miramontes	K6SRD
Vice President:	Dan Martin	N6ETR
Treasurer:	Brian Steinberg	KB0A
Secretary:	Mike Rodgers	KN6MIO

2024 Board of Directors:

Art Aronsen	WD6BQX
Chris Swanson	KJ6DLF
Mike Gregory	WB6WYF
Will Shaffer	W6SRX

Net Control Operators

1st Week Of The Month	Bob Hawkins	KM6BXZ
2nd Week Of The Month	Chris Swanson	KJ6DLF
3rd Week Of The Month	Frank Garay	KJ6RWQ
4th Week Of The Month	Dan Martin	N6ETR
5th Week Of The Month	Dan Martin	N6ETR

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VOLUNTEER POSITIONS:

Membership	Bryan Steinberg	KB0A
Repeater Trustee	Brian Hagen	KK6BXP
Repeater Committee Chair	Brian Hagen	KK6BXP
Newsletter Editor		
Webmaster	Bryan Steinberg	KB0A
Net Control Coordinator (Filled by the Vice President as per the Club Constitution)	Dan Martin	N6ETR
Activities Committee Chair	Don Preston	KM6INR
Monthly Message Passing Practice Net	Stephen Bartels	KK6ZJC
Foxhunt Coordinator		
Bicycle Events Coordinator		
Parade Events Coordinator		
Winter Field Day Committee		
Dixon Mayfair Parade		
June Field Day Committee		
Merriment on Main		
December Meeting		

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Volunteer Positions (Continued)

Winlink Committee Chair

FL-Digi Committee Chair

Arden Committee Chair

We still have numerous committees that need chairpersons and volunteers for the upcoming year (2024). (See the list above.) They need to be filled for the upcoming year by younger volunteers and those with experience to guide the club forward into the future.

This is your club. You can make it a great club by participating in meetings, events, and nets, or you can watch the club wither away and die from lack of participation by ALL members.

It is in your hands, are you going to watch the club end or are you going to jump in and help steer the club forward to the future?

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Membership Application/Renewal Form

November 2019 Dues are payable annually.

New Members Please Fill in All Fields Completely
Renewing Members Please Provide Name and Call Sign, Other Fields *Only if there are changes*

Member Information

FCC Name:_____

Street:_____

Street 2:_____

City:_____

State:_____ Zip-Code+4:_____

Home Phone:_____

Cell Phone:_____

Call Sign:_____

License Class:_____

ARRL Member?_____

Member No:_____

Name Badge Name_____

Payment Information

Member Dues: $25.00 _____

Additional Family Members: $2.00 _____

Student: $5.00 _____

Repeater Donation: _____

Total:_____$_____

Paid by Check: $_____

Check number: _____

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Family Member (Spouse or Children)

FCC Name:_____

Call Sign:_____

License Class:_____

ARRL Member?_____

Member No:_____

Name Badge Name_____

Family Member (Spouse or Children)

FCC Name:_____

Call Sign:_____

License Class:_____

ARRL Member?_____

Member No:_____

Name Badge Name_____

Family Member (Spouse or Children)

FCC Name:_____

Call Sign:_____

License Class:_____

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Family Member (Spouse or Children)

Name:_____

Call Sign:_____

License Class:_____

ARRL Member?_____

Member No:_____

Name Badge Name_____

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CONSTITUTION of the VACA VALLEY RADIO CLUB. Incorporated

Adopted: January 1988: Amended: 1988, 1989,1991,1992,1993, 2008, 2015, 2019

PREAMBLE

We, the undersigned, wishing to secure for ourselves and our communities, the rights and benefits of an association of persons commonly interested in Amateur Radio, constitute ourselves the Vaca Valley Radio Club and enact this constitution as our governing law and guide.

It shall be our purpose to further the education and cooperation of all members, to promote fraternalism and operator proficiency, educate the public and encourage the development of new amateurs and members, assist in emergencies and with public welfare and safety, promote Amateur Radio through public service participation, conduct meetings to promote radio knowledge and greater cooperation between members, act to resolve radio interference problems and coordinate the use of the radio frequencies allocated by the Federal government in the best interest of all amateurs residing within the stated jurisdiction of the club, and to so conduct club programs and activities as to advance the general interest and welfare of Amateur Radio in the communities.

ARTICLE 1: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. All persons Interested in Amateur Radio communications shall be eligible for membership. Membership shall be by application and acceptance upon such terms as the club shall provide in its By-Laws.

Section 2. Members may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the voting membership using secret ballot. The vote must be taken at a business meeting following a business meeting at which the action and vote are proposed.

Section 3. Full membership entitles the member to attend all club activities, vote in elections, hold club office, propose a vote from the floor, and seek club participation in proposed projects and activities.

Section 4. Associate or student membership entitles the member to attend all club activities, speak during meetings, propose a vote from the floor and avail themselves of educational opportunities sponsored by the club.

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ARTICLE 2: OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of this club shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and four Directors.

Section 2. The officers of this club shall constitute the board of directors.

Section 3. The officers of this club shall be elected for a term of one year by ballot of the members present at the stated annual meeting during November, *with the exception of* the treasurer whose term shall be two calendar years.

Section 4. Vacancies occurring between elections must be filled by presidential appointment with approval by five members of the board of directors. The appointee will then serve for the remaining term of office.

Section 5. Officers may be removed by a three-fourths vote of the membership attending a business meeting following the next business meeting at which the vote is proposed.

Section 6. The president ex-officio shall endeavor to be an advisor to the board of directors.

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ARTICLE 3: DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The president shall preside at all board meetings and club meetings. The president shall enforce due observance of this constitution and by-laws; decide all questions of order; sign all official documents adopted by the club, and perform all other duties pertaining to the office of president.

Section 2. The vice-president shall in the absence of the president preside at all board meetings and club meetings. The vice-president shall supervise and be responsible for weekly radio nets for the dissemination of information of common interest to members. The vice-president shall be responsible for scheduling of club activities and meeting programs.

Section 3. The secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of board of director's meetings and club meetings, compile records of all duly constituted committees and conduct all written correspondence and forms submitted directly by committees. The secretary shall turn over all items pertaining to their office and belonging to the club to the duly elected successor at the expiration of the term of office.

Section 4. The treasurer shall receive and receipt for all moneys paid to the club; keep an accurate account of all moneys received and expended; pay bills when properly authorized, and submit all necessary forms to Federal and State agencies. The treasurer shall maintain a current list of all members in good standing and present membership applications. The treasurer shall submit bills for payment to those owing money to the club. The treasurer shall turn over all items pertaining to their office and belonging to the club to the duly elected successor at the expiration of their term of office. The term of office shall be two calendar years.

Section 5. The four directors will attend the board of directors meetings. The four directors are responsible for voting in the best interest of the club and Amateur Radio. The directors are expected to solicit opinions and ideas from the general membership and represent them at the board of directors meetings.

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ARTICLE 4: RULES OF GOVERNMENT

Section 1. There will be three types of membership: Full, Associate, and Student. Full membership requires a current amateur radio license. Associate and student memberships are provided for non-licensed persons.

Section 2. Only full members in good standing can vote or hold elective office.

Section 3. Club officers and four full members constituting the board of directors will be elected by ballot and require a plurality of the voting membership present for the election. Any club member may nominate themselves or another member as long as the nominee meets the qualifications for the position. A nominee must acknowledge acceptance of the nomination to the club secretary prior to balloting. All nominations shall be presented to the club secretary in writing. There shall be provision for verbal nominations from the floor prior to balloting. Nominations will be accepted at the October and November business meetings with voting at the November business meeting. The new officers will be installed at the December Social Meeting/Christmas Party.

Section 4. Club meetings are to be of two types: Business and Social. The business meetings will be for the conduction of business. Social meetings are for membership education and the furtherance of the clubs' fraternal relationship.

Section 5. Regularly scheduled business meetings will be held at least 2 times per year and will begin at 6:00 P.M., unless the board of directors deems it necessary to change, at which time the membership shall be informed by email and the weekly club net.

Section 6. Business and board meetings shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order unless otherwise superseded by the club by-laws.

Section 7. Business meetings are required for the election of officers, changing the articles or bylaws, changing the dues of assessment of members, removal of officers or members, and conditions affecting the continual functioning of the club as specified in the articles and bylaws.

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Section 8. A business meeting may be called by the president after notification of the general membership five days in advance. The general membership may request a business meeting by a majority vote of the full membership present at a properly scheduled social meeting. The board of directors may request the scheduling of a business meeting by a vote of the majority of its members. Circumstances for an emergency meeting require a two-thirds vote of the board of directors and notification of the full membership by email or radio net. Business meetings shall be held as necessary.

Section 9. A social meeting will be held on the stated meeting date whenever a business meeting is not scheduled. The order and nature of the meeting will be determined by the president. Social meetings should be held, when possible, and with sufficient notification, at regular locations and times to encourage greater overall participation.

Section 10. The president may take emergency action on activities, events, and expenditures, providing that the actions are reported to the board of directors as soon as possible. The president must then request a vote to determine if the actions will be endorsed and supported by the board.

Section 11. The president may call a business meeting during a regularly scheduled social meeting for the purpose of transaction of urgent or emergency business. This requires the approval of a majority of the members of the board of directors in attendance.

Section 12. The board of directors is required to meet at least twice a year. The date and times are to be selected by the president and approved by the board of directors.

Section 13. Board of directors meetings requires a minimum of four board members to be present to constitute a quorum and conduct club business.

Section 14. The president may be counted for constituting a quorum, but can vote only to make or break a tie.

Section 15. The board of directors has the authority to approve all expenditures, events, activities, and incidental matters pertaining to the club.

Section 16. Any club member may attend a board of directors meeting.

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BY-LAWS of the VACA VALLEY RADIO CLUB. Incorporated

Section 1. Full and associate membership dues will be $25.00 per year. Dues are valid for 12 months through the end of the month in which they were originally paid. Family members at the same residence may become Full or Associate members by paying $2.00 per person per year. Student membership will be $5.00.

Section 2. The club shall maintain legal corporate status.

Section 3. The club shall maintain, advance, and support communications equipment and projects common to Amateur Radio and club interest.

Section 4. The club shall recognize that there are many aspects of Amateur Radio and it endorses individual participation. The club shall provide for activities and events to educate and advance members' proficiency and to further the best interest of the community and Amateur Radio in general.

Section 5. If practical the club shall publish and distribute the club newsletter as determined by the Board Of Directors.

Section 6. The club shall endeavor to maintain membership in the American Radio Relay League, so far as the relationship does not interfere with the best interest of the club.

END

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Directions To the Monthly Meeting from Fairfield, Suisun City And Other Areas West of Vacaville

Coming from Fairfield: Take Highway 80 East Bound. Take exit 55 Nut Tree Parkway / Allison Drive. Stay to the left and enter the right left turn lane

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Turn left from the right turn lane and stay in the right lane.

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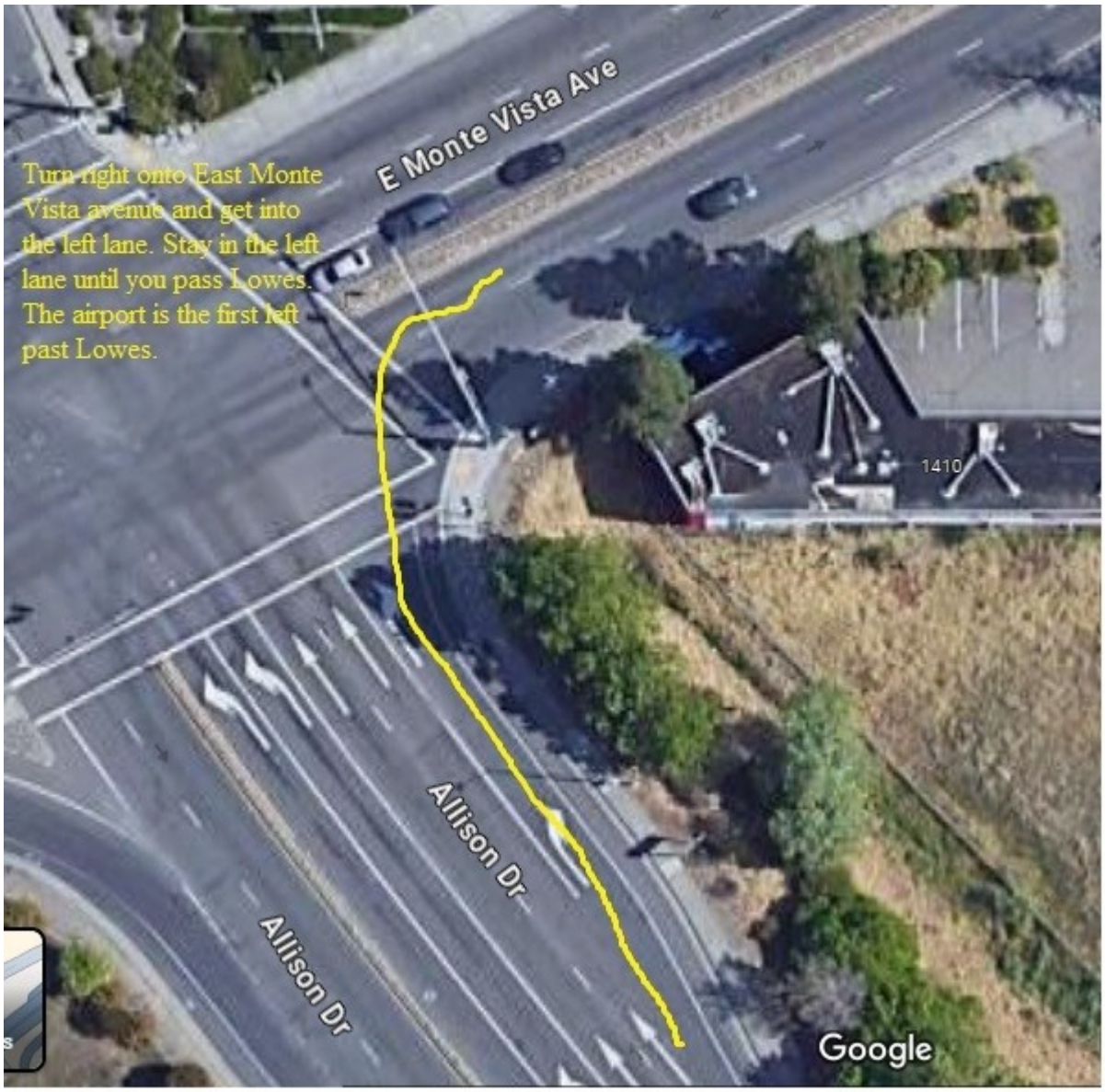
Go over the overpass and make the right turn onto East Monte Vista Avenue.



Get in the left lane of E Monte Vista Avenue and drive East until you pass Lowes.

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Turn left and drive to the airport parking lot on your right.

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Directions To The Monthly Meeting From Dixon, Sacramento And Other Areas East of Vacaville

Coming West from Dixon take the E Monte Vista Avenue exit, (exit 55)

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Take the Right turn Lane at the exit

Stay in the right lane until the light.
At the light turn Right and get into the left lane.

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